

State of South Carolina

Governor's Proclamation

WHEREAS, laboratory medicine is a critical part of sustaining high quality health care with billions of laboratory tests performed in the United States each year; and

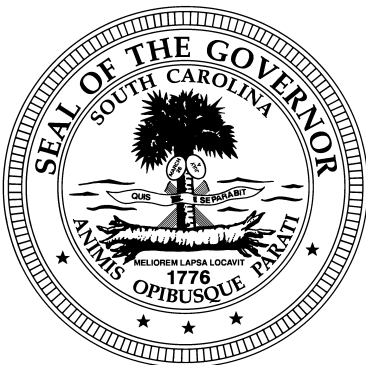
WHEREAS, laboratory professionals, including pathologists, medical technologists, cytotechnologists, histotechnologists, medical technicians, histological technicians and phlebotomists, are well-educated and highly trained specialists who perform and evaluate laboratory tests to detect and diagnose disease and monitor treatment; and

WHEREAS, with the theme "Laboratory Professionals: Working with You for Better Health", the 2004 observance honors the medical laboratory professionals who, as members of the medical care team, help save lives every day by performing and interpreting medical laboratory tests.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Mark Sanford, Governor of the Great State of South Carolina, do hereby proclaim April 18 – 24, 2004, as

MEDICAL LABORATORY WEEK

throughout the state and encourage all South Carolinians to recognize the important role medical laboratory professionals play in the delivery of quality health care services.



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MARK SANFORD
GOVERNOR
STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA